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1. The following observations were made at the Wustrow (M 55/0 51) AAA firing range during the period from 12 to 25 July 1952. At 3 p.m. on 12 July, 10 boxcars with personnel wearing red-bordered black epaulets and 12 flatcars carrying trucks

2. The following observations were made at the Wustrow AAA firing range:
Between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. on 19 July: Firing at towed sleeve targets.
Between 12:15 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. on 19 July: Firing at towed sleeve targets.
On 20 July: No firing activity.
Between 12:45 p.m. and 1:15 p.m. on 21 July: Firing at towed sleeve targets.
Between 22 and 25 July: No firing activity. (7)

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At about 10 p.m. on 22 July, 12 trucks towing guns were seen proceeding toward the AAA firing range, coming from the direction of Kroepelin. It was the first time [redacted] these type 25X1 guns. [redacted] they had four disk wheels with solid tires and barrels which were substantially shorter and stouter than those previously observed in Berlin. The muzzle had a diameter about the size of a breakfast dish. [redacted]

(5) Between 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. on 24 July, [redacted] hauled dummy tanks from the site to the firing range, making 4 to 5 runs. Each truck carried 2 dummy tanks and towed 2 others mounted on sledges. At 7:30 a.m. on 25 July, 20 to 25 trucks and an ambulance were seen coming from the direction of the firing range and proceeding toward Kroepelin. They were hauling equipment, billeting equipment and soldiers. [redacted]

[redacted] units were entrained and 25X1 unloaded at the railroad station on 25 July. (7) At about 10 a.m. on 25 July, [redacted]

[redacted] including four trucks towing the new stout guns were seen proceeding from the firing range in the direction of Meschendorf-Rechelsdorf. The 5th truck towed a two-wheel carriage with pneumatic tires [redacted] was a searchlight of about 140 to 150 cm in diameter. (5) On 19 July, when going on leave, [redacted] unit would be entrained for Kietz in Kroepelin on 21 July. [redacted]

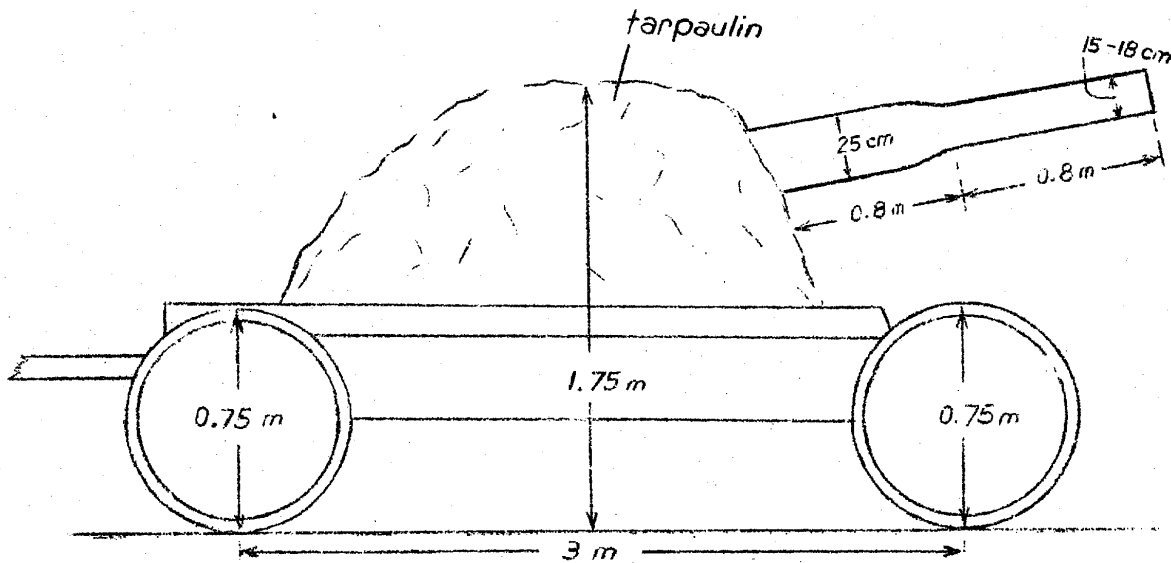
(6) [redacted] on 25 July, the installation of the transformers and the reconstruction of the hauling device for the dummy tanks had not been completed. [redacted] 4,000 kg of flour were baked into bread by the cooperative bakery and that most of the bread was for troops. (7)

Comments.

- (1) [redacted] a unit of the 13th Recz Div was entrained. [redacted] a train went from Kroepelin to Branse on 12 July. [redacted]
- (2) [redacted] the unit probably belongs to the 14th Gds Recz Div.
- (3) The units unloaded probably belong to the 3d Gds AAA Div.
- (4) [redacted] belong to the GdP, the First Gds Recz Army, the Second Gds Recz Army and the Fourth Gds Recz Army, the Third Shock Army, the 3d Gds AAA Div and the 57th Gds Itz Rifle Div.
- (5) The new gun type seen with a column of, probably, the First Gds Recz Army, presumably with units of the 4th Gds AAA Div, and with a column of the 2d Gds AAA Div was previously seen with units of the 32d AAA Div (US) in Frankfurt/Oder, units of the 6th Arty Div in Brandenburg and, last, with units probably of the unidentified AAA regiment of the 14th Gds Itz Rifle Corps in Lisen ch. See [redacted] It is possible that the new gun is a novel AAA rocket launcher. For sketch made on basis of information furnished b. [redacted] paragraph 2, see Annex.
- (6) The unit probably unloaded in Kroepelin belongs to the GdP. 25X1
- (7) Compare the last report [redacted] the routine training activity in mid-July. [redacted]
- (3) A report [redacted] on 23 and 24 July, one train each carrying units of the 32d AAA Div (US) was unloaded in Luestrin. [redacted]

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